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The deliveries of soya beans which Communist China makes to Western Europe are of vital importance to the Chinese Government, since the funds obtained from the sales of these beans are immediately put to use in the purchase of machinery and other strategic products. The following data was recently received on 1951 deliveries of soya beans to Western Europe:

a. To the United Kingdom

17,000 tons from April through September 1951

b. To Belgium

44,000 tons from January through September 1951

c. To The Netherlands

10,970 tons imported from February through July 1951, with a further 79,565 tons passing through Holland in transit.

d. To Western Germany

Approximately 150,000 tons passed through Hamburg from April through September 1951.

e. To Eastern Germany

From 60,000 to 80,000 tons passed through Gdynia for Eastern Germany from April through September 1951.

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